

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ANNUAL REVIEW REPORTS ON MONSANTO MAHYCO BIOTECH

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn into the allegation that the Government of Andhra Pradesh had tampered with the annual review reports to reduce the compensation burden of Monsanto Mahyco Biotech by more than Rs.2 crore;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): Based on a representation submitted by the President, Andhra Pradesh Janta Kissan Morcha, an inquiry was ordered by the Commissioner & Director (Agriculture), Andhra Pradesh for alleged tampering of survey report. The District Collector, Warangal has informed that the district normal yield adopted by Joint Director of Agriculture, Warangal as 3.5 quintal per acre was incorrect and requested the State level MOU Committee to consider the district average yield as 10 quintal per acre. It has been alleged that the less projected yield data has resulted in reduction of compensation. Government of Andhra Pradesh have reported on the basis of the detailed inquiry conducted by the District Collector, Warangal that 7812 entries out of total 16327 entries were found to be tampered. The Government of Andhra Pradesh have initiated necessary disciplinary action against the responsible officers of the State Agriculture Department.